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**REPLY AND AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed May 3, 2006, please enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks. Applicants submit concurrently herewith: (a) a Petition for Extension of Time for three-months, up to and including Friday, November 3, 2006; (b) a Fee Transmittal Sheet, with appropriate fee; (c) a Third Request for Corrected Filing Receipt with Exhibit C; (d) Exhibits A and B; and, (e) an Information Disclosure Statement with Form PTO/SB/08 and copies of references BD-BH.

- Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.
- Remarks begin on page 4 of this paper.